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From the preface: "The Nepal Himalaya is of immense interest to botanists due to its rich biodiversity. All global bioclimatic zones are juxtaposed along the slopes of the Nepalese mountains...The Mustang region is of special interest for its aridity and high degree of floral endemism ... It is a nearly treeless region and its flora and vegetation are Tibetan in character."

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Explanation of Color Plates—Plates include 14 landscape and vegetation-type photos, 4 individual plant photos, 60 separate photos of Poaceae reproductive structures, and a color map of the Mustang District of Nepal.

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PTERIDOPHYTA

Equisetaceae, Parkeriaceae, Aspleniaceae, Dryopteridaceae, Woodsiaceae

SPERMATOPHYTA-GYMNOSPERMAE

Ephedraceae, Pinaceae, Cupressaceae

SPERMATOPHYTA-DICOTYLEDONEAE-ARCHICHLAMYDEAE

Salicaceae, Betulaceae, Urticaceae, Santalaceae, Polygonaceae, Nyctaginaceae, Caryophyllaceae, Chenopodiaceae, Ranunculaceae, Circaeasteraceae, Berberidaceae, Papaveraceae, Cruciferae, Crassulaceae, Saxifragaceae, Hydrangeaceae, Rosaceae, Leguminosae, Geraniaceae, Zygophyllaceae, Linaceae, Euphorbiaceae, Polygalaceae, Balsaminaceae, Thamnaceae, Malvaceae, Thymelaeaceae, Elaeagnaceae, Violaceae, Tamaricaceae, Onagraceae, Umbelliferae

SPERMATOPHYTA-DICOTYLEDONEAE-SYMPETALAE

Ericaceae, Primulaceae, Oleaceae, Gentianaceae, Asclepiadaceae, Rubiaceae, Convolvulaceae, Boraginaceae, Labiatae, Solanaceae, Scrophulariaceae, Bignoniaceae, Orobanchaceae, Lentibulariaceae, Plantaginaceae, Caprifoliaceae, Dipsacaceae, Campanulaceae, Compositae

SPERMATOPHYTA-MONOCOTYLEDONEAE

Juncaginaceae, Potamogetonaceae, Liliaceae, Iridaceae, Juncaceae, Graminae, Araceae, Cyperaceae, Orchidaceae

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